

## GSA Board of Contract Appeals

## 6101.3

The Board may also amend, alter, or vacate a ruling, order, or direction upon such terms as are just. In making rulings and issuing orders and directions pursuant to the rules in this part and part 6102, the Board takes into consideration those Federal Rules of Civil Procedure which address matters not specifically covered in this part and part 6102.

(e) *Panels.* Each case will be assigned to a panel consisting of three judges, with one member designated as the panel chairman, in accordance with such procedures as may be established by the Board. The panel chairman is responsible for processing the case, including scheduling and conducting proceedings and hearings. In addition, the panel chairman may, without participation by other panel members, decide an appeal under the small claims procedure (6102.2), rule on nondispositive motions (except for amounts in controversy under 6102.2(a)(2)), and dismiss a case if no party objects (6101.28(c)). All other matters, except for those before the full Board under 6101.30, are decided for the Board by a majority of the panel.

(f) *Situs.* The address of the Office of the Clerk of the Board is: Room 7022, General Services Administration Building, 18th and F Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20405. The Clerk's telephone number is: (202) 501-0116. The Clerk's facsimile machine number is (202) 501-0664.

### **6101.2 Time: enlargement; computation [Rule 102].**

(a) *Time for performing required actions.* All time limitations prescribed in the rules in this part and part 6102 or in any order or direction given by the Board are maximums, and the action required should be accomplished in less time whenever possible.

(b) *Enlarging time.* Upon request of a party for good cause shown, the Board may enlarge any time prescribed by the rules in this part and part 6102 or by an order or direction of the Board. The exception is the time limit for filing appeals (6101.5(b)(1)). A written request is required, but in exigent circumstances an oral request may be made and followed by a written request. An enlargement of time may be

granted even through the request was filed after the time for taking the required action expired, but the party requesting the enlargement must show good cause for its inability to make the request before that time expired.

(c) *Computing time.* Except as otherwise required by law, in computing a period of time prescribed by the rules in this part and part 6102 or by order of the Board, the day from which the designated period of time begins to run shall not counted, but the last day of the period shall be counted unless that day is (1) a Saturday, a Sunday, or a federal holiday, or (2) a day on which the Office of the Clerk of the Board is required to close earlier than 4:30 p.m., or does not open at all, as in the case of inclement weather, in which event the period shall include the next working day. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, when the period of time prescribed or allowed is less than 11 days, any intervening Saturday, Sunday, or federal holiday shall not be counted. When the period of time prescribed or allowed is 11 days or more, intervening Saturdays, Sundays, and federal holidays shall be counted. Time for filing any document or copy thereof with the Board expires when the Office of the Clerk of the Board closes on the last day on which such filing may be made.

### **6101.3 Service of papers [Rule 103].**

(a) *On whom and when service must be made.* When a party sends a document to the Board it must at the same time send a copy to the other party by mail or some other equally or more expeditious means of transmittal. Subpoenas (6101.20) and documents filed *in camera* (6101.12(h)) are exceptions to this requirement. Any papers required to be served on a party (except requests for discovery and responses thereto, unless ordered by the Board to be filed) shall be filed with the Board before service or within a reasonable time thereafter.

(b) *Proof of service.* Except when service is not required, a party sending a document to the Board must indicate to the Board that a copy has also been sent to the other party. This may be done by certificate of service, by the notation of a photostatic copy (cc:), or